

The Only One To Stand the Test.

Rev. William Cope, whose father was a physician for over fifty years, in New Jersey, and who himself spent many years preparing for the practice of medicine, but subsequently entered the ministry of the M. E. Church, writes: "I am glad to testify that I have had analyzed all the sarsaparilla preparations known in the trade but



AYER'S

is the only one of them that I could recommend as a blood-purifier. I have given away hundreds of bottles of it, as I consider it the safest as well as the best to be had."—WM. COPE, Pastor M. E. Church, Jackson, Minn.



When in doubt, ask for Ayer's Pills

STOPPED THE SERENADES.

Torpedoes Mitigate the Horrors of Nocturnal Visits from Cats.

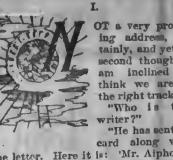
The heights' cat by virtue of not only its exceptional attainments, but also its singularly enterprising, may be justly entitled to the distinction of being termed a cosmopolite. The proverbial bootjack, buzz saw, parks green decoction and dynamite bomb are incidents in his experience which he views retrospectively with only passing emotions of interest, not unmixed with pleasure. For, says the Brooklyn Eagle, it is recorded that he met them and conquered them hand down. Swell residents of the heights have been left to his mercy. For a time, cayenne pepper judiciously distributed upon back fences and porches subtly infused into the diet of the midnight prowlers gave the peaceful citizen a respite from the nocturnal harmonies of the love-making and argumentative animals. But after several councils of war which involved mutual recriminations and a tangle of evidence as to the cause of their setbacks, the cats cleared up the mystery and went to

work again, with a clear understanding and a proper plan of campaign. The day, or rather, the night of cayenne pepper was past.

It was reserved for one ingenuous citizen on Willow street to introduce an expedient which has thus far proved to be the conqueror of the cat. The remedy was not less startling than the nuisance it was designed to abate was painful. A troop of those black cats made a hasty retreat from the premises of this particular citizen's residence a slightly nervous. Sunday night the fellas chorus was in full swing and the debates between the singers were pitched in high tones. The leader of the band was explaining his views on the silver question, while his first assistant, so far as the controversy could be interpreted, was endeavoring to divert the line of discussion to a consideration of the question as to whether marriage was failure. Suddenly an upper window opened and a stalwart arm, draped in flowing white sleeves, made a swift movement. Something burst through the fence just above the leader's head, a roar and a blinding flash. The cats were petrified for an instant. Then came another roar and a flash and the cats were in full retreat. A careful comparison of notes subsequently led the cats to a conclusion that heavy artillery had been introduced and it was decided that future operations should be abandoned. The torpedo had gained the day. It has not been generally adopted as a preventive for these night concerts.

At the dedication of the Methodist Episcopal church at Rahway, Bishop Foss, in making an appeal for subscriptions, showed parents why they should contribute, and then said: "If any old bachelor is here, he should embrace the privilege at once of contributing in this way to the welfare of the nation." It seemed as though he was about to say immediately: "And any old maid for the same reason should be ready to aid in placing the benefits of religious education within the reach of children," but at the point where he would naturally have uttered that smooth phrase he said: "With the same determination, let us all help to make our sons good husbands." How vast the powers of the English language to express truth! Even a disagreeable reference may be made pleasant by a proper setting and agreeable one made repellent by the terms used.

A DEAL IN JEWELS.



OT a very propitious address, especially and yet, on second thought, I am inclined to think we are on the right track."

"He has sent his card along with the letter. Here it is: 'Mr. Alphonse Martin, professor of law, 100 Main Street, Newark, N. J., Esq., and his family parties attended.'

The speakers were the two principals of the private detective agency of Sarfield street, Piccadilly, known as Beauchamp & Co., and the occasion was nothing more than the taking of some enterprising burglar of the inmates of Mountfield's jewels. All possible inquiries had been baffled, and at last, in a very private and confidential manner, the earl had enlisted the services of Beauchamp & Co., and the following evening wended his way to Parkers street. He had adopted the further precaution of taking a revolver with him, so that he felt in a position to safeguard his jewels as to his personal safety, for the security of his employer's money and the equipment for which it was to be transferred.

Mr. Martin welcomed his visitors cordially. He was profuse in his apologies that his office, which could not be set aside, had been taken, the instructions of his principals were, however, he said, and Mr. Sharpe would agree with him that any risk of the negotiations falling through must be avoided at all hazards. As they left the house, the earl took a look at it, and there are other matters demanding your attention."

The junior partner nodded in acquiescence, but it was as one who has no particular desire to acknowledge his master's character, "He is a very non-committal character," he ventured to hint.

"You are new in the business, Fisher, and who would know that is the case?"

"I am, sir, and the whole world where the jewels are. Are we to give \$400 for old woman's grapple like that?"

"I shall not part with the money until

I have seen the jewels and got them into my possession. That is an old bird not to be trifled with, chisel and all, while I shall write an interview with his lordship, and to tell him that the affair is of such delicacy and importance I have determined to devote it to my own personal skill and attention. That will 'fetch' him. You see, I know a thing or two about our line of life; but of course, you had better acknowledge Martin's letter, get what definite information you can out of him, and above all arrange for me to see him."

"You will have to come for it yourself, if any business is to be done."

"To your address in Parker street?"

"Yes, sir; let me assure you, I am not at all averse to an expedition of a trap and had taken his measures accordingly. If you call upon me there I will take you to a house where the men will be waiting for you with the stuff. Then a fair exchange will be no robbery, and when the professor laughed, probably at his own wit, but Mr. Sharpe was too busy thinking to join him in it."

"But isn't there just a chance that some of the men you speak of might take a fancy to relieve me of the notes while on the way?" It will be a great temptation."

"I shall take care that no one knows about it. Besides, you can bring some with you, that will be a protection. But nothing of the kind will be required, I feel quite sure."

III.

Accompanied by one of his young men, and with a roll of crisp bank notes snugly ensconced in an inner breast pocket, Sir George Beauchamp followed his master to Parkers street. He had adopted the further precaution of taking a revolver with him, so that he felt in a position to safeguard his jewels as to his personal safety, for the security of his employer's money and the equipment for which it was to be transferred.

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At opposite poles of the social scale the earl and the burglar were brought into equal association through the instructions of their respective principals. Five hundred pounds was a large sum, but when family jewels are concerned, handed down through a long line of more or less distinguished ancestors, it is not for scruples of bargaining.

Mr. Alphonse Martin, however, was amenable to the private detective's wishes. He had called at the office in Sarsfield street, on one occasion and told Mr. Fisher, who did not form a very favorable opinion of him, and told his partner so on his return from Mountfield castle. But Mr. Sharpe attributed his young friend's doubts to

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room was of the most squeamish description, but not without signs of preparation having been made for expected visitors. In the adjoining apartment, Sir George quickly detected the voices of men, whom he safely concluded to be Mr. Martin's actual principals.

"It would not be professional for them to see you," said the latter. "I suppose you want to make sure of the identity of my jewels?"

"Certainly."

"I will bring them, but they may first ask to see the money."

"I cannot let the money out of my sight," was the prompt and decisive answer.

In a second Mr. Martin was back, carrying a shabby black bag. He opened it, however, without paring with it. One glance at its contents satisfied the detective.

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The Owenton Dramatic Club is going to present "Nanada."

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The Pike county grand jury returned 250 indictments.

Make it a point to see that your blood is purified, enriched and vitalized at this season with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

KENTUCKY CROP REPORT.

Bureau of Agriculture, and statistics.—Feb. 1, 1896.

WHEAT.

Notwithstanding the generally favorable weather conditions prevailing during the months of January and February, 1896, the condition of the wheat crop at the close of February is not flattering.

Reports received from ninety-five counties, with but few exceptions, place the condition of the crop but below the average. Twenty-three correspondents report the condition as "worst ever known," while only two correspondents report the condition as "good."

Correspondents from seventy counties report varying conditions, which may be embraced under the general head, "unfavorable."

Owing to unfavorable conditions at seeding time, the average was materially below the average, and a generally unfavorable report makes the outlook for an average crop doubtful, even with the most favorable weather conditions from this time forward.

The reports for percentage of 1895 crop still in first hands average 21 per cent. Reports on condition of growing plants average 64 per cent. On stand obtained, 52 per cent.

RYE.

Reports on the condition of rye give an average condition of 68 per cent.

CORN.

Reports on the per cent. of 1895 crop still in first hands give an average of 58 per cent., being considerably more than is usually found there at this season of the year.

HOUSING.

Reports on the percentage of hogs being fattened for market average 86 per cent. In this way there is a short supply of hogs when it is considered that comparatively no hogs are being carried over to be fed for fall market.

Twenty correspondents report hog cholera prevalent.

TOBACCO.

While it is early for information on the tobacco crop, correspondents report generally good progress made in sowing plant beds. The reports on per cent. of plant beds sown average of 50 per cent. Reports on per cent. of 1895 crop still in first hands average 58 per cent. of the crop so held. The extremely low price of all grades of tobacco is having the effect of discouraging production, and, unless there is improvement along this line, it may be assumed that less than an average crop will be pitched the coming season.

CATTLE.

The reports on percentage of two year old cattle on hand average 75 per cent. Per cent. of cattle being fed for spring and summer markets is 96.

SHREWS.

Average percentage of stock sheep on hand 77 per cent. The open winter has been very favorable for young lambs. The per cent. of lambs saved to date is 88 per cent.

HORSES.

The percentage of two and three year old horses on hand is 90. In response to query as to the average price of two and three year old horses answers received range from \$10 to \$50. The average is \$36.40 is a starting falling off in price of one of the principal products of the State.

LIVE STOCK GENERALLY.

The average condition of live stock generally is given at 97 per cent., the mainly open winter and abundant supply of feed combining to make the present condition unusually bright. Indeed, it may safely be said that the present excellent condition of live stock has never been equaled.

CROP PREPARATIONS.

Reports generally indicate an unusual amount of spring plowing done, fully 70 per cent. of plowing for corn crop having been done by March 1st.

FRUIT CROPS.

Reports to special inquiries made since the unusual severe freeze at the close of February show the fruit crop still practically uninjured. Only four correspondents report any material injury and they report the peach crop alone as suffering.

LUCAS MOORE,

Commissioner of Agriculture

The officers at Owenton think they have located the fire bug operating in that city.

"Success is the reward of merit" is not of assumption. Popular appreciation is what tells in the long run. For fifty years, people have been using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and today it is the blood-purifier most in favor with the public. Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures.

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